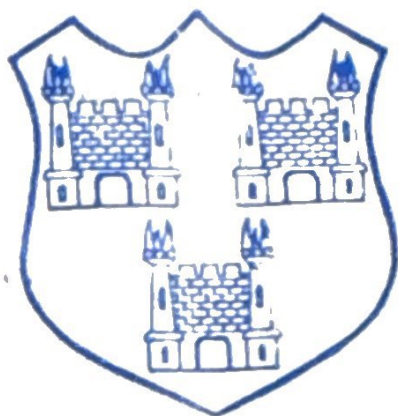


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Ni doibh liom go bhfuil moran le ra mar gheall ar Naomh Uinsionn nac bhfuil ar eolas ag fac duine cheanna fein. Is leor a ra gur speisialtoiri iad le blianta anuas i craobh cluiche peil Atha Cliath.

Cumann den gluin og 'sea Craobh Chiarain agus mar ata se le naomh Uinsionn d'imir an cuid is mo aca ins na srathanna oganach. Agus os rud e gur comharsa beal dhorais an dha fhuireann seo is doca go mbeidh giota beag nios mo sasamh le fail ag lucht buaithe an cluiche ceannais seo inniu.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome all present to Parnell Park for the 1971 county senior football final. Indeed, I would like to avail of this belated opportunity on behalf of the County Committee to express our gratitude to those loyal patrons who have supported our local club matches all this year. We in Dublin feel more keenly than any other county the counter-attraction of big games in Croke Park and we are hit also by the changing pattern of family life which sees Sunday afternoon spent on outings etc., rather than attending football games as used to be the case.

To offset this the County Committee resorted to playing championship games in Parnell Park on Sunday nights with a fair degree of success but I believe that if we could offer better spectator facilities at this ground, such as floodlighting, better seating and possibly a bar, the attendances would increase greatly. A complete Gaelic Centre including facilities for handball and Camogie should be our aim in Parnell Park.

The county Executive have indeed considered these ideas but unfortunately at the moment the county's financial resources are a barrier to such development. This is a pity, because I believe that this Park has an intimate atmosphere all it's own and if our ideas could only be put into practice we would make this ground a centre of Gaelic activity of which all Dublin could be proud.

To revert to today's game, this county final is of unusual interest because the contestants are such near neighbours. The players of both teams are products of Dublin's extensive under-age competitive structure and have progressed steadily from the under-13 level. I am sure that the senior teams from these two fine clubs will give us a game to be proud of. Patrons might take note of the manner in which the players are toggled out and I think you will agree that their appearance contributes a tremendous amount to the occasion.

This is the first attempt at a programme of this kind for a Dublin county final and I think you will agree that it is an excellent production. To Eugene McGee of the U.C.D. club wose idea it is and county secretary Jim King who joined in its production I offer my sincere thanks.

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THE County Final—what tingling of the emotions the very name brings to the heart of the G.A.A. follower. For it is in its county finals that the G.A.A. finds its true expression in every county in the land and Dublin is no exception.

Indeed, the Dublin county championship has always been regarded as the best in Ireland to win and even though the standard of the football championship has undoubtedly declined since the 'forties and 'fifties it is still one of the top championships in the country. And today's winners can take their place with all their predecessors as proud standard-bearers of Gaelic football in Dublin city and county.

But who will the winners be? Will it be St. Vincents for the 18th time of Craobh Chiarain for the very first time? There's no doubt about who the favourites are and it isn't Craobh Chiarain. Not indeed that the latter will be unduly worried about what public opinion thinks. After all weren't they completely written off when they were drawn against U.C.D. in the semi-final and we all know what happened.

It is worth remembering too that there were more intercounty players on the College team that day than there are in the St. Vincents line-up today but still Chiarains took their chances and brought about one of the greatest shocks in modern times in the Dublin championship. And after all if it was U.C.D. who were facing Vincents today would College be so unfancied as Craobh Chiarain are?

In their last league meeting at St. Annes, Vincents had a narrow win over their rivals of today but their big worry now must be a slackness in defence which has saw them beaten in the last five minutes of three important games recently—in the league against Raheny and U.C.D. and in the semi-final of the Kilinkere Tournament. And one of Chiarain's outstanding qualities recently has been their ability to grab scores with a minority of the play.

Certainly St. Vincents are entitled to be favourites but Craobh Chiarain, with everything to gain and nothing to lose, could have another surprise up their sleeves!

—EUGENE MCGEE

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Meet The Players

ST. VINCENTS

TONY HANAHOE—A 26-year-old Solicitor who captains St. Vincents and Dublin this year, he is a Sigerson Cup player with Trinity College. He has also played senior hurling regularly for Dublin.

TOM BYRNE—A Dublin minor last year, this 19-year-old Student Teacher in St. Patrick's T.C. is a newcomer to the team as goalkeeper.

LIAM FERGUSON—The longest serving member of the side, Liam is a Technician and with his brother Des played for Dublin in the All-Ireland hurling final of 1962.

LAR FOLEY—Aged 33, Lar needs little introduction to Dublin G.A.A. followers. Highlights of a fine career include two All-Ireland medals ('58 and '63) and the Caltex Award in 1963.

CATHAL HANLEY—Aged 23 and an Air Transport employee, he is a brother of Christoir and is also a noted hurler.

MICK BEHAN—He is a 28-year-old Garda who has played for Garda teams against The Army in both hurling and football this year.

SEAN MULLINS—A 26-year-old Agricultural Engineer in U.C.D., he has been Dublin's centre half-back this year. He is a past pupil of Colaiste Mhuire.

EAMON BRADY—A 25-year-old Teacher who won his way onto the Vincents senior team through good displays with their junior side last season.

GAY O'DRISCOLL—Aged 25, he was actually born in Cork and works as a Salesman. Another dual inter-county player for Dublin this year.

CHRISTOIR HANLEY—This 21-year-old Clerk was a Leinster minor winner with Dublin in 1968 and is now on the Dublin junior side which contests the final next month.

JIMMY KEAVENEY—A 26-year-old Salesman, he has been a regular with the Dublin football team for several years now and has also played often for the county hurling side. He is the recognised free-taker for his club and county teams.

GERRY KEEVEY—This 19-year-old Accountancy Student is one of the most promising newcomers to appear on the Dublin senior club scene for a long while. Injury kept him off the county minor team last year.

LESLIE DEEGAN—This 24-year-old corner forward has made his name by his ability to grab goals from half chances. A Dispatch Manager, he won an All-Ireland minor hurling medal with Dublin in 1965.

DES FOLEY—Another who needs no introduction, 29-year-old Des is a farmer as well as a well-known Fianna Fail T.D. He came out of a two year retirement to help out in this year's championship with Vincents.

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Meet The Players

CRAOBH CHIARAIN

PADDY FOLEY (Captain)—A 22-year-old Lithograph Printer, he has played all grades of football and hurling for Dublin and lives in Harmanston. Height 6' 1", weight 14 stone.

TONY JUDD—Tony is a 27-year-old Technician who lives with his wife and three children just around the corner from Parnell Park. He is 5' 9" and weighs 11 stone.

JOHN ELLIOT—A 27-year-old Stock Controller with B + I, he is married with three children and lives in Ballymun. He has played under-21 for Dublin, is 5' 11" and weighs 12½ stone.

JAMES FOLEY—Works as a Compositor and lives with his wife and two children in Artane. Aged 29, he is 6' 1" and weighs 12 stone.

EAMON FLYNN—A 27-year-old butcher, he has played almost every grade of football and hurling for Dublin. He is married with two children, is 5' 9" and weighs 11 stone.

TOM KEOGH is a Buyer and he has recently left Donnycarney to live in Raheny. He is married with one child, is 5' 11" and weighs 11½ stone.

MICHAEL MATTHEWS—Another player who has worn the Dublin jersey at junior and senior level; he is a Fitter living in Raheny. He is 24, 6. 0" and weighs 14 stone.

RICHARD BURKE—A 27-year-old Car Assembler, he lives in Baldoyle. A strong, forceful player he is 6' 2" and weighs 14 stone.

JOHN BURKE—A member of the Garda Síochána, John lives in Donnycarney. He is 25, 5' 10" and 13 stone.

WILLIAM BURKE—He is the Vice-Chairman of the club and now resides in Coolock. A Production Controller, he is 26, 5' 8" and 11 stone.

HUGH BROWN—A 25-year-old Carpenter living in Drumcondra, Hugh is married with two children. He is 25, 5' 11" and 12½ st.

MICHAEL DEMPSEY—One of the few single men of the Craobh Chiarain team he is an Electrician living in Donnycarney. Age 22, 5' 8" and 10½ stone.

PADDY PIERCE—Another dual player, Paddy has played senior hurling for Dublin. An Electrician, he is married, 24, 5' 10" and 12½ stone.

GERRY PIERCE—A brother of Paddy's, he too is better known as a hurler with Dublin. A Technician, aged 23, Gerry lives in Howth, is 5' 9" and 11½ stone.

DONAL RHEINISCH—This 26-year-old Accountant is yet another Dublin senior hurler on the 'Ciarains' team. Unmarried, he is 6' 0" and 12½ stone.

LUKE SHANLEY—He is his club's county board delegate, is married with two children and lives in Coolock. A Civil Servant, he is 29, 6' 0" and 13 stone.

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Naomh Uinsionn

Colours : White and Blue

HT 0-6

1	2	3	4
T. BYRNE	L. FERGUSON	L. FOLEY	Cathal HANLEY
5	6	7	
M. BEHAN	S. MULLINS	E. BRADY	
8	9		
G. O'DRISCOLL	J. KEAVENEY		
10	11	12	
Christoir HANLEY	T. HANAHOE (Capt.)	G. KEEVEY	
13	14	15	
L. DEEGAN	D. FOLEY	C. LEANEY	

SUBS.—16 P. Flood; 17 P. J. Reid; 18 B. Lee; 19, P. McNulty; 20 J. Hackett; 21 K. McConnell; 22 M. Griffin.

REFEREE:

B. Mullally

LINESMEN:

C. Hobbs
D. Hobbs

UMPIRES:

A. Nolan
P. Markey

G. Fitzpatrick
P. Molloy

Craobh Chiarain

Colours : Maroon and Yellow

HT 2-2

1	2	3	4
T. JUDD	T. KEOGH	S. SWEENEY	L. SHANLEY
5	6	7	
S. SHANLEY	P. FOLEY (Capt.)	J. FOLEY	
8	9		
R. BOURKE	D. RHEINISCH		
10	11	12	
M. DEMPSEY	E. FLYNN	P. PEARSE	
13	14	15	
J. ELLIOT	M. MATTHEWS	J. PEARSE	

SUBS.—16 H. Browne; 17 B. Sweeney; 18 J. Bourke; 19 B. Beare; 20 P. Clarke; 21 P. Supple.

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CHRISTY LEANEY—A 33-year-old Army Captain who is always very fit, is still another dual player. He has trained the county minor team for the past two years.

BRENDAN LEE—A 21-year-old Medical Student at U.C.D., he won Leinster minor medal in 1968 and played for Dublin Under-21 football and hurling teams this year. He is also a more than useful amateur boxer.

P. J. REID—A 19-year-old Architectural Student at U.C.D., he was centre-field for the Dublin minor team last year and is another promising newcomer.

JIM HACKETT—A 21-year-old Accountancy Student, his is Cork-born and played minor football and hurling for Dublin.

PAT FLOOD—Pat was Vincents' regular goalkeeper for many years including the last three occasions on which the club won the county championship. He is a Clerk.

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SEAN SHANLEY—A brother of Luke, aged 23, single and an Electrician living right beside Parnell Park. He is Treasurer of the club, is 28, 5' 9" and 12½ stone.

PAT SUPPLE—A 28-year-old Painter living in Raheny, Pat is 5' 6" and weighs 10 stone.

SEAMUS SWEENEY—Another Dublin player, at Under-21 level, he is an Electrician, aged 24. He is 6' 0" and is the heaviest man on the team at 16 stone.

BRIAN SWEENEY—A brother of Seamus, he is at 20 years of age the youngest member of the side. A Postman, he is 5' 11" and weighs 14 stone.

IN THE BEGINNING ...

St. Vincents

A challenge football game played between Kerry and Kildare on October 12, 1930, in Croke Park in aid of the new church of St. Vincent de Paul, Marino was a major factor in the foundation of the club now called St. Vincents. So successful was the game with a profit of £1,600 that it was decided to found a G.A.A. club in Marino parish and the two men who put the plan into action were the then Fr. W. Fitzpatrick and Brother Fitzgerald from the C.B.S. in Marino.

On September 12, 1931, St. Vincents was formed with Fr. Fitzgerald, now Monsignor, as its first chairman and the first St. Vincents minor team took the field against Fingallians on Nov. 29 of that year. The first county championship to come to the new club was the minor title in 1936 but since then additional titles have been accumulated with clockwork regularity. In 1948 St. Vincents reached and lost the senior football final against Garda but compensation came quickly the following year and Vincents won that senior title every year until 1962 with the exception of 1956 when Erins Hope broke their run.

All told, St. Vincents have won the senior football championship on 17 occasions, the most recent being last year when they beat Raheny in the final. In addition the club has won numerous under-age competitions and in fact the only Dublin football competition that the club has never won is the junior championship.

The club has always been based around the Marino area and draws much of its talent from the Marino C.B.S. and St. Josephs, Fairview. In 1963 they opened their fine ground in Raheny called Pairc Naomh Uinsionn and they have since added a Pitch and Putt course and a clubrooms, including a bar.

The present officers of the club are: President — Mon. W. Fitzpatrick; Chairman — Mr. Joe Drumgoole; Hon Sec. — Mr. Eamonn Malone; Hon. Treas. — Mr. Emmett Memery.

... And Craobh Chiarain

IN comparison with many other Dublin senior clubs Craobh Chiarain could be described as the 'babes' because it is only ten years ago that the club came into existence from an amalgamation of Craobh Ruadh and Naomh Chiarain.

The first success for the new club came quickly, in 1964 in fact, when Craobh Chiarain won the Junior championship in both football and hurling. Now just seven years later they are in a position to repeat that double at senior level as they have also qualified for the hurling final. Further football successes came in 1965 and '68 and the club became senior with the winning of the Dublin Intermediate championship in 1969. Since then they have won their way through to Division I of the S.F.L.

The present senior team is largely composed of players who

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have served on all the teams fielded at adult level by Craobh Chiarain since its foundation in both football and hurling. Almost the same team will play in next month's hurling county final as that facing St. Vincents today.

The Craobh Chiarain club is based in Scoil Chiarain just over the wall from Parnell Park and draws its support mainly from the Donnycarney parish. A total, of twenty teams between hurling and football proves the strength of the club. Both the local Community Association and Scoil Chiarain play an important role in the activities of Craobh Chiarain.

Like most fairly young clubs in Dublin Craobh Chiarain have been helped greatly on the administrative side by men born down the country but now residing in the capital and probably their outstanding mentor has been 'Nipper' Shanley one of Leitrim's few really great players from several decades back. Two of his sons, Sean and Luke, play for the senior team today.

The Juveniles Come Of Age

—By Jim King

TODAY'S finalists in the Dublin senior football championship have the distinction of growing up together, as it were, in the Gaelic football atmosphere of North-East Dublin right beside Parnell Park, itself the mecca of Dublin's south-city football and hurling enthusiasts.

Players on both the Craobh Chiarain and St. Vincents teams have starred many times in juvenile, minor, junior and senior ranks together and have played in all grades from under-13 onwards. Their presence in the 1971 county senior final is ample evidence of the fine work that has been undertaken by the Minor Board and the other under-age bodies in promoting G.A.A. games among the youth of Dublin.

In these lower age groups St. Vincents have been most successful and no later than this year they took no less than six titles in Minor Board competitions. In the North City League they had the remarkable feat of having five teams in the under-13 league.

Craobh Chiarain may have been less successful than their rivals in actually winning under-age competitions but since their foundation they have been consistently knocking at the door in juvenile and minor ranks without really hitting the big-time.

Where The Titles Went

The following is a complete list of Dublin championship winners in football:

SENIOR: 1887—Erin's Hope; 1888—Feach McHugh's; 1889—Faugh's; 1890—Isles of the Sea; 1891-4—Young Irelands; 1895—Isles of the Sea; 1896—Young Irelands; 1897—Kickhams; 1898-9—Geraldines; 1900—Isles of the Sea; 1901—Bray Emmets; 1903—Keatings; 1904-7—Kickhams; 1908—Geraldines; 1909—Keatings; 1910—Geraldines; 1911—Keatings; 1912—Kickhams; 1913—Parnells; 1914-15—Geraldines; 1916—Parnells; 1917—Geraldines; 1918-20—O'Tooles; 1921—St. Mary's; 1922-26—O'Tooles; 1927—Garda; 1928—O'Tooles; 1929—Garda; 1930—St. Joseph's; 1931—O'Tooles; 1932—Erin's Hope; 1933-35—Garda; 1936-37—Clan na Gaedheal; 1938—Sean MacDermotts; 1939—Parnells; 1940-42—Geraldines; 1943—U.C.D.; 1944—Civil Service; 1945—Parnells; 1946—O'Tooles; 1947—Sean MacDermotts; 1948—Garda; 1949-55—St. Vincents; 1956—Erin's Hope; 1957-62—St. Vincents; 1963—U.C.D.; 1964—St. Vincents; 1965—U.C.D.; 1966-67—St. Vincents; 1968—Clanna Gael; 1969—Na Fianna; 1970—St. Vincents.

INTERMEDIATE: 1946—Parish Gaels; 1947—Portrane; 1948—Peadar Mackens; 1969—St. Finnian's; 1950—Fintan Lalors; 1951—St. Agnes; 1952—Round Towers; 1953—St. Vincents; 1954—Erin's Isle; 1955—Skerries; 1956—O'Dwyers; 1957—Fingallians; 1958—St. Brigids; 1959—Inchicore Hibs; 1960—Synge St. P.P.; 1961—Rialto Gaels; 1962—St. Caillians; 1963—Scoil Ui Chonail; 1964—St. Annes; 1965—Guinness; 1966—Naomh Fionnbarra; 1967—Whitehall Gaels; 1968—Ballyboughal; 1969—Craobh Chiarain; 1970—Garristown; 1971—Ballyboden St. Endas.

JUNIOR: 1928—Ballyboden Wanders; 1929—St. Joseph's; 1930—Brian Boru; 1931—Clan O'Tooles; 1932—Sean MacDermotts; 1933—Pioneers, Balbriggan; 1934—Peadar Mackens; 1935—St. Pauls; 1936—St. Marnocks; 1937—Innisfairs; 1938—Wolfe Tones, Firhouse; 1939—St. Sylvesters, Malahide; 1930—St. Margarets; 1941—Ard Craobh; 1942—Fingallians; 1943—Skerries Harps; 1944—Sean MacDermotts; 1945—O'Tooles; 1946—Portrane; 1947—Peadar Mackens; 1948—Innisfairs; 1949—Stars of the Sea; 1950—O'Dwyers, Balbriggan; 1951—St. Maurs; 1952—Eastern Command; 1953—Erin's Isle; 1954—Skerries Harps; 1955—Clanna Gael; 1956—Fingallians; 1957—Thomas Davis; 1958—Inchicore Hibs; 1959—St. Joseph's; 1960—Rialto Gaels; 1961—Naomh Fionnbarra; 1962—Round Towers (Lusk); 1963—St. Sylvesters; 1964—Craobh Chiarain; 1965—Garristown; 1966—Whitehall; 1967—Ballyboughal; 1968—Ballyboden St. Endas; 1969—Fingal Ravens; 1970—Synge St. P.P.

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Paths To Final

ON their way to today's county final both sides played five games as both were involved in draws in the second round. St. Vincents have scored 13-70 and conceded 7-34.

The remarkable fact about Craobh Chiarain's figures is that they have not conceded a single goal in their five championship games and in fact their total of points conceded, at 32, must be nearly a record for five games. The total score for Craobh Chiarain is those five games is 7-47.

The 1971 Dublin senior football championship commenced with a game between U.C.D. and Erin's Hope in O'Toole Park on February 24, 1971.

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SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 1971

1st Round: U.C.D. 1-9, Erin's Hope 0-2; Synge Street 2-17, Whitehall Gaels 0-8; Naomh Fionnbarra 1-4, St. Marys 1-2; Garristown 0-7, St. Michael & James 0-5; Scoil Ui Chonail 0-11, Raheny 0-7; Clanna Gael 0-14, Good Counsel 1-2; Round Towers 1-9, Parnells 1-4; St. Vincents 3-14, St. Annes 3-4; Fingallians 3-6, Na Fianna 1-10; Kickhams-Ballymun 2-10, Skerries Harps 2-7; Fingal League (Sel.) 3-6, Civil Service 1-9; O'Dwyers 3-16, St. Margarets 2-2; Craobh Chiarain 1-8, Garda 0-4.

2nd Round: U.C.D. 2-13, Garristown 2-5; Round Towers 1-11, Fingallians 0-9; St. Vincents 2-10, Sc. Ui Chonail 3-7 (Draw); Fingal League (Sel.) 3-3, O'Dwyers 1-8; Clanna Gael 3-6, O'Tooles 0-13; Craobh Chiarain 1-6, Ballymun-Kickhams 0-9 (Draw); St. Brigids 0-11, Erin's Isle 0-7; Synge Street 2-13, Naomh Fionnbarra 0-6. **Replays:** Craobh Chiarain 3-9, Kickham-Ballymun 0-10; St. Vincents 3-17, Sc. Ui Chonail 1-5.

Quarter-finals: Craobh Chiarain 0-11, St. Brigids 0-3; U.C.D. 1-11, Round Towers 1-5; Fingal League (Sel.) 2-7, Synge Street 1-9; St. Vincents 2-8, Clanna Gael 0-9.

Semi-finals: Craobh Chiarain 2-3, U.C.D. 0-6; St. Vincents 3-11, Fingal League (Sel.) 0-9. **FINAL:** St. Vincents v. Craobh Chiarain.

MINOR: 1930—Desmonds; '31—O'Tooles; '32—Kevins; '33—O'Tooles; '35—Peadar Mackens; '36—St. Vincents; '37—Kevins; '39—Bulfin's; '40—Kevins; '41—G.S.R.; '42-43—St. Vincents; '44—Peadar Mackens; '46-48—St. Vincents; '49—Synge St.; '50—St. Vincents; '51-53—Kickhams; '54—O'Tooles; '55-56—St. Vincents; '57—O'Tooles; '58-59—St. Vincents; '60—Na Fianna; '61—Synge St.; '62-64—Scoil Ui Chonail; '65—Na Fianna; '66—Good Counsel; '67—Air Corps; '68-69—Scoil Ui Chonail; '70-71—St. Vincents.

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